

441—106.1 (237B) Definitions.

“*Chemical restraint*” means the use of chemical agents including psychotropic drugs as a form of restraint. The therapeutic use of psychotropic medications is not considered chemical restraint.

“*Child*” means a person who is less than 18 years of age.

“*Children’s center*” means a privately funded facility that is designed to serve seven or more children at any one time who are not under the custody or authority of the department of human services, juvenile court, or another governmental agency and that offers one or more of the following services:

1. Child care.
2. Child care for children with a chronic illness.
3. Respite care.
4. Family support services.
5. Medical equipment.
6. Therapeutic day programming.
7. Educational enrichment.
8. Housing.

“*Control room*” means a locked room used for treatment purposes.

“*Mechanical restraint*” means restriction by the use of a mechanical device of a child’s mobility or ability to use the child’s hands, arms, or legs.

“*Physical restraint*” means direct physical contact required on the part of a staff member, volunteer, or others who perform duties under a subcontract with the children’s center to prevent a child from hurting self, others, or property.

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